IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

TONYA HOWARD and EBONY JOHNSON, Each Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated

**PLAINTIFFS** 

VS.

No. 1:22-cv-2817-BWJ

TATE LEGACY INCORPORATED and DARLENE TATE

**DEFENDANTS** 

JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE SETTLEMENT PAPERS

Plaintiffs Tonya Howard and Ebony Johnson, and Defendants Tate Legacy Incorporated and Darlene Tate, by and through their undersigned attorneys, for their Motion for Extension of Time to File Settlement Papers, state and allege as follows:

- 1. On January 10, 2024, the Parties participated in a settlement conference before United States Magistrate Judge Beth W. Jantz, during which the Parties were successful in their efforts to reach a settlement in principle of the case.
- 2. During the February 27, 2024 status hearing, the Parties updated the Court on the progress of settlement execution. The Court set the deadline for the Parties' submission of a motion for settlement approval as March 12, 2024. See ECF No. 82.
- 3. The Parties have drafted and finalized a settlement agreement document and the Plaintiffs have signed it.
- 4. However, the Parties need additional time to obtain the Defendants' signatures and to edit the Motion for Approval to the satisfaction of both Parties.

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- Accordingly, Plaintiff requests that the Court allow them an additional seven
   days from the filing of this Motion for Extension to fully execute their agreement and file settlement papers.
- 6. This extension is sought in good faith for the purpose of efficiently resolving the case, and not for delay.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, Plaintiff prays that this Court extend the deadline for the Parties to file their settlement documents for seven (7) days, to March 19, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

## TONYA HOWARD and EBONY JOHNSON, PLAINTIFFS

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I, the undersigned counsel, do hereby certify that on the date imprinted by the CM/ECF system, a copy of the foregoing was filed via the CM/ECF system, which will provide notice to the following attorney of record:

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